
SENATE BILL 5646

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1 AN ACT Relating to construction work at state and regional
2 universities and The Evergreen State College; and amending RCW
3 28B.10.350.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 28B.10.350 and 2001 c 38 s 1 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 (1) When the cost to The Evergreen State College, any regional
8 university, or state university, of any building, construction,
9 renovation, remodeling, or demolition other than maintenance or repairs
10 will equal or exceed the sum of (~~thirty-five~~) seventy thousand
11 dollars, complete plans and specifications for such work shall be
12 prepared and such work shall be put out for public bids and the
13 contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder if in
14 accordance with the bid specifications: PROVIDED, That when the
15 estimated cost of such building, construction, renovation, remodeling,
16 or demolition equals or exceeds the sum of twenty-five thousand
17 dollars, such project shall be deemed a public works and "the
18 prevailing rate of wage," under chapter 39.12 RCW shall be applicable
19 thereto: PROVIDED FURTHER, That when such building, construction,

1 renovation, remodeling, or demolition involves one trade or craft area
2 and the estimated cost exceeds (~~fifteen~~) fifty thousand dollars,
3 complete plans and specifications for such work shall be prepared and
4 such work shall be put out for public bids, and the contract shall be
5 awarded to the lowest responsible bidder if in accordance with the bid
6 specifications. This subsection shall not apply when a contract is
7 awarded by the small works roster procedure authorized in RCW 39.04.155
8 or under any other procedure authorized for an institution of higher
9 education.

10 (2) The Evergreen State College, any regional university, or state
11 university may require a project to be put to public bid even when it
12 is not required to do so under subsection (1) of this section.

13 (3) Where the estimated cost to The Evergreen State College, any
14 regional university, or state university of any building, construction,
15 renovation, remodeling, or demolition is less than twenty-five thousand
16 dollars or the contract is awarded by the small works roster procedure
17 authorized in RCW 39.04.155, the publication requirements of RCW
18 39.04.020 shall be inapplicable.

19 (4) In the event of any emergency when the public interest or
20 property of The Evergreen State College, regional university, or state
21 university would suffer material injury or damage by delay, the
22 president of such college or university may declare the existence of
23 such an emergency and reciting the facts constituting the same may
24 waive the requirements of this section with reference to any contract
25 in order to correct the condition causing the emergency: PROVIDED,
26 That an "emergency," for the purposes of this section, means a
27 condition likely to result in immediate physical injury to persons or
28 to property of such college or university in the absence of prompt
29 remedial action or a condition which immediately impairs the
30 institution's ability to perform its educational obligations.

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